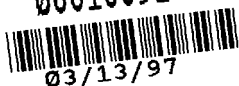


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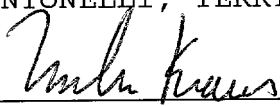
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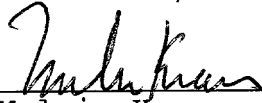
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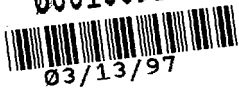
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend the above-identified  
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IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claims 1-5 and 7-16 without prejudice or  
disclaimer of the subject matter thereof.

REMARKS

Claims 1-5 and 7-16 have been cancelled. Claims 17-34  
are pending, with claims 17 and 34 being independent.

In the Office Action of November 13, 1996, issued in  
application Serial No. 08/139,904, the parent application of  
the present Rule 62 divisional application, the Examiner

required a substitute specification. A substitute specification will be submitted at a later date.

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- A. Species of Fig. 4
- B. Species of Fig. 5
- C. Species of Fig. 14
- D. Species of Fig. 17
- E. Species of Fig. 22
- F. Species of Fig. 24

The Examiner required the applicants to elect one of these six species for prosecution on the merits, and indicated that he was of the opinion that no claim was generic.

In the response of March 1, 1996, filed in parent application Serial No. 08/139,904, the applicants traversed the requirement for an election of species, but provisionally elected with traverse species A for prosecution on the merits, with claims 1-16 being readable thereon.

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Applicant's election with traverse of the invention elected in Paper No. 10 is acknowledged. The traversal is on the ground(s) that applicant considered that no other patentably distinct species is considered to be present by Examiner. This is not found persuasive because claims 17-34 are directed to twelfth embodiment (figure 22) of this instant

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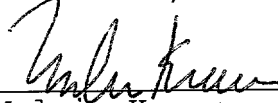
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